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NAFR**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR****WPC No. 2209 of 2026**

1 - Ashish Kumar Kushwaha S/o. Shri Ramnarayan Kushwaha Aged About 27 Years R/o. Banja, Bhaiyathan, District- Surajpur (C.G.)

2 - Anuplal @ Anuklal S/o. Shri Virsai Aged About 51 Years R/o. Banja, Bhaiyathan District- Surajpur (C.G.)

3 - Surya Pratap Singh S/o. Shri Tameshwar Singh Aged About 36 Years R/o. Badkapara, Banja, District- Surajpur (C.G.)

4 - Rajmohan Saruta S/o. Shri Rambakas Saruta Aged About 51 Years R/o. Rajaulipara, Kurridih, P.O. Banja, Rajaulipara, Darripara, District- Surajpur (C.G.)

5 - Dubraj Singh S/o. Shri Rangu Singh Aged About 64 Years R/o. Kusmusi, Post Ganja, Tahsil Bhaiyathan District- Surajpur (C.G.)

... Petitioner(s)**versus**

1 - State Of Chhattisgarh Through Secretary, Department Of Cooperative Societies Mahanadi Bhawan, Nawa Raipur, Atal Nagar Distt.- Raipur (C.G.)



2 - The Registrar Cooperative Societies, Chhattisgarh, Indrawati Bhawan, Nawa Raipur, Atal Nagar District- Raipur (C.G.)

3 - The Joint Commissioner Cooperative And Joint Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Surguja Division, Ambikapur, District- Surguja (C.G.)

4 - Durga Charan Singh S/o. Shri Bhanwar Sai Aged About 50 Years R/o. Village Banja, Post Banja, Tahsil Bhaiyathan District- Surajpur (C.G.) Authorized Officer, Adim Jati Seva Sahkari Samiti Maryadit, Sonpur (Regn No. 580), Tahsil Bhaiyathan District- Surguja (C.G.)

... Respondents

(Cause-title taken from the Case Information System)

For Petitioners :- Mr. Pushpendra Kumar Patel, Advocate
For State :- Mr. Arham Siddiqui, P.L.

SB- Hon'ble Shri Justice Amitendra Kishore Prasad

Order On Board

06.05.2026

1. The present writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India has been filed by the petitioners seeking a direction to Respondent No. 3 to consider and decide the complaint dated 17.02.2026 submitted by the petitioners and other villagers against Respondent No. 4, who is functioning as Authorized Officer of the concerned Cooperative Society.
2. The case of the petitioners, in brief, is that they, along with several villagers including the Sarpanch and Up-Sarpanch of Gram



Panchayat Bhaiyathan, District Surajpur, submitted a complaint dated 17.02.2026 before Respondent No. 3 alleging irregularities and illegalities committed by Respondent No. 4 while discharging his duties as Authorized Officer. It is stated that Respondent No. 4 has failed to ensure proper functioning of the society, has not adhered to directions issued by the authorities, and has not been attending meetings, thereby affecting the functioning of the society. It is further submitted that although Respondent No. 3 had issued a communication/memo directing the concerned Audit Officer/Deputy Collector (Cooperative) to conduct an enquiry and submit a report, no final decision has been taken on the complaint till date.

3. Following reliefs have been prayed by way of this petition:-

“10.1 That, this Hon'ble Court, may kindly call for the entire record in relates to the case of the Petitioner(s).

10.2 That, this Hon'ble Court, may kindly be pleased to direct the Respondent No.03 to decide the complaint Dated 17.02.2026 (Ann P-1) filed by the Petitioner(s)s, within stipulated period, in the interest of justice.

10.3 That, any other relief, this Hon'ble Court, deem fit and proper may also kindly be granted to the Petitioner(s)s, in the interest of justice. ”

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that despite filing a detailed complaint supported by villagers and local representatives, no effective action has been taken by the



authorities. It is contended that the inaction on the part of Respondent No. 3 in deciding the complaint is arbitrary and has compelled the petitioners to approach this Court. He further submits that the petitioners would be satisfied if a direction is issued to Respondent No. 3 to consider and decide the complaint in a time-bound manner in accordance with law.

5. Learned State counsel submits that necessary steps have already been initiated in the matter and a memo has been issued to the concerned authority for enquiry. He submits that the complaint shall be considered and decided in accordance with law within a reasonable time.
6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and on perusal of the record, it appears that the grievance of the petitioners is limited to non-consideration of their complaint dated 17.02.2026. It is not in dispute that Respondent No. 3 has already initiated the process by directing an enquiry; however, the matter has not attained finality till date. Considering the nature of the grievance and without entering into the merits of the allegations made against Respondent No. 4, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the competent authority to consider and decide the complaint in a time-bound manner.
7. Accordingly, the present writ petition is **disposed of** with the following directions that the **Respondent No. 3** is directed to consider and decide the complaint dated 17.02.2026 submitted by



the petitioners and other villagers, strictly in accordance with law.

The said exercise shall be completed from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. While deciding the complaint, Respondent No. 3 shall afford due opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties, including Respondent No. 4.

8. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the case.

9. With the aforesaid observations and directions, the writ petition stands **disposed of**.

10. No order as to costs.

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(Amitendra Kishore Prasad)
Judge

Vishakha